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CHIP GARDNER, PRIVATE shrugs off an anti-gambling crusade until it leads to



THE ALHAMBRA CLUB MURDERS

in THE CASE OF THE LOSING WINNERS!



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OT CRIME DOES PAY

PRIVATE EYE MAY A BE ROUGH, AND ONE THING IN COMMON WITH HIS MORE GENTLE HEIGHBORS - HE HATES TO SEE NEIGHBORS - HE HATES TO SEE HIS CHUNG PUSHED AROUND!
BACK IN THE SPRING OF 1948, A GOOD NEWSBAPER FRIEND OF MINE, NAMED MIKE O'HARA, WAS STIRRING UP THE TOWN WITH A SERIES OF EXPLOSIVE, CRUSADING ARTICLES DIN THE CALL OF C CRUSADING ARTICLES ON THE EVILS OF LEGALIZED GAMBLING!
MIKE MEAN! EVERYTHING HE HE WADTE AND OLON'T CARE WHERE THE INK SPLASHED!
OF COURSE WE ALL KNEW HE WAS JUST BEGGING FOR TROUBLE FROM POWERFULL
TO BE A DELINE. TROUBLE FROM POWERFUL
LOCAL GAMBLING INTERESTS
BUT NOBODY EXPECTED THE
SHATTERING REPERCUSSIONS
WHICH RESULTED IN THIS
"CASE OF THE LOSING
WINNERG!".

SUN - TIMES

ANOTHER LOSING WINNER by Mike O'Here

Oscar Bell, of Windsor Terrace, North Hills, won large sum of ay gambling at the Alhambra Club last night, but his luck did not hold, A block away from the Club he wes ugged and rob-



ite has overtaken other big winners recently and is time something was done about it. The Alhambra inb should be booted out of this city, but there are erful interests behind it and unless the citizens

> THE CLUZ TH TORGES OFFICE

DON'T TURN ME OKAY, OHARA! DOWN UNTIL YOU SEE THE STUFF I'VE AL-HAVE BEEN READY DUG UP, CHIP! WORKING LATE! YOUR OFFICE AS I PROMISED TO TAKE HER OUT DANCING, BUT THINK I HEAR HER WE'LL WAIT FOR YOU! Manual I COMING IN NOW!









ITS A GOOD THING YOU'RE GOING BACK TO BOARDING SCHOOL TOMORROW! MY OWN DAUGHTER TOMORROW! MY OWN DAUGHTEK YISITING THE ALHAMBRA CLUB! ARE YOU TRYING TO MAKE YOUR POP LOOK FOOLISH? DON'T YOU KNOW THAT SLOCUM COULD USE THIS TO TRY TO RUIN MY CAMPAIGN?

IM SORRY, POP! I GUESS I WAS CURIOUS TO SEE WHAT THE ALHAMBRA WAS LIKE AFTER IT! I WON'T DO IT AGAIN!

ALL RIGHT, YOU LITTLE IMP! IM GOING TO SEE CHIP GARDNER BE BACK IN PLENTY OF TIME TO TAKE













TAKE O'HARA SO



PAY CRIME DOES

OF COURSE I WANTED O'HARA AVENGED FOR THE BEATING HE TOOK!

WRITER WAS SPITTING FIRE NOW-FIRE POINTED STRAIGHT AT THE ALHAMBRA CLUB!

TO THE ALHAMBRA ...



YOU GO HOME AND REST UP, O'HARA! I'LL TRY TO GET A LINE ON THY ID GET A LINE CA THOSE HOODS! I DON'T LIKE GUYS THAT PUT THE SLUG ON FRIENDS OF MINE!

ONE OF THE MUGS LOOKED FAMILIAR, CHIP! I'LL CHECK IT LATER, BUT I THINK I'VE SEEN HIS PICTURE IN THE MORGUE AT THE PAPER! WELL, CHIP-ALL I CAN



THANKS FOR WHAT, MIKE ? WHY ADVICE AND LAY OFF YOURS LINTIL YOU FIND DUT WHERE YOU STAND & YOU'VE GOT KATHY TO THINK OF, YOU KNOW !

I AM THINKING OF KATHY, CHIP! WHEN CLUBS LIKE THE ALHAMBRA PERMIT KIDS OF HER AGE TO COME IN-EVEN WITH AN ESCORT-WELL, IT'S TIME

BLIT I HAD TO WORK QUIETLY! AS A PRIVATE EYE WHO GETS HIS CLIENTS FROM ALL STRATA OF SOCIETY, INCLUDING OCCASIONAL GAMBLERS MOUNT A WHITE CHARGER AND JOIN THE CLEAN-UP BRIGADE! O'HARA,ON THE THEM! OTHER HAND WAS JUST STORY IN THE PAPER THE NEXT DAY WAS A FULL ACCOUNT OF HIS OWN BEATING. REPORTED WITH SCARE HEAD-LINES AND PICTURES OF HIS BATTERED FACE! HIS TYPE-



IT'S CHIP DO YOUR BEST BUT IF HE GETS TOO TOUGH, LET GARONER, MR. SLOCUM! AIN'T EASY TO HIM IN ! WE KEEP HIM OUT CAN'T AFFORD WHEN HE WANTS TO UNFAVORABLE COME IN! PUBLICITY !







PAY DOES













AS I SHOWED WENDY I GAVE ALL OF SLOCUMS MEN THE EYE! I WAS ABLE TO PEG EVERYONE OF THEM AS OLD HANDS! NONE OF THEM FITTED THE DESCRIPTIONS OF THE GUYS WHO HAD SLUGGED O'HARA! I STILL HAD FIVE MINUTES TO SPARE BEFORE MY APPOINTMENT SLOCUM'S OFFICE, TOOK WENDY TO THE CASHIER'S ROOM TO WATCH THE WINNERS BEING PAID OFF - IF ANY! WE WERE JUST IN TIME TO SEE HARRY ROGERS CASHING IN HIS CHIPS! HE SEEMED TO BE THE ONLY BIG WINNER



NO, THANKS!











VITHIN A FEW MINUTES, THE SCENE WAS MOBBED BY CURIOUS AND SENSATION-HUN GRY CHARACTERS WHO WANTED TO VIEW THE CORPSE! WHEN WENDY RE-CLUB, SLOCUM WAS WITH HER, AND BETWEEN US WE TRIED TO KEEP THE SPECTATORS BACK UNTIL THE POLICE ARRIVED! A FEW MINUTES LATER, LIEUTENANT ASHFORD AND HIS MEN PULLED UP, AND AS USUAL, ASHFORD WASN'T HAPPY TO SEE ME ...

HOLL SLIBE MAKE A
HABIT OF INNONES
BODIES, GARDNER! IT'S
HORD \$ WELL NOW THAT
LUCKY WENDY BACKS
UP YOU'R STORY ABOUT DOPE, HILL BE ON MY
THIS, OR I'D PLIT YOU WAN! YOU KNOW WHERE
DOWN AS SUPPCT
NUMBER ONE!

I FIND WENDY AND ME

NUMBER ONE!

I FIND WENDY AND ME





WENDY AND I HANDED
O'HARA A BIG SCOOP ON
THE ROBERS MUROER AND
O'HARA PLAVED THE STORY
UP FOR ALL IT WAS WORTH!
ID OVERHEARD SIGN HAT
ID OVERHEARD
ID OV

I'M NOT GOING TO MIKE NOW THAT MURDER'S BEEN EASE UP CHIP! I'M COMMITTED AND GOING TO KEEP FIRING AWAY UNTIL HE POLICE HAVE TAKEN OVER, YOU THESE GAMBLING CINTS ARE CLOSED! CAN EASE UP MY NEXT ANGLE CAMPAIGN! REACTIONS OF THE COSERS! I DUG UP DIRT ON THAT

SO LONG,
MIKE! DONT
TAKE ANY
SLOT-MACHINE
NICKELS!
SOUND OUT TONIGHT
THAT YOU KNOW QUITE
A FEW GAMSLERS
BY SIGHT!







THERE



OH, COME, COME, DALE! THIS









I HEARD WHAT TO CHIP LIEUTENANT . ASHFORD, AND I RESENT IT! CHIP WAS POP'S BEST FRIEND!

LIEUTENIANT PD BETTER TAKE KATHY HOME! SHE'S HAD ENOUGH FOR ONE DAY! GO AHEAD! THE REST OF MY QUESTIONS CAN





LISTEN, ASHFORD, WE'RE NOT PLAYING GAMES AND I'M NOT "IT" SO LAY OFF ME! IF YOU'VE GOT ANY BRAINS, USE THEM TO CRACK THIS CASE! PERSONALLY I'M FED UP WITH YOUR CORNY HORSE-PLAY



WAS MAD-MAD AT ASHFORD FOR HIS COCKEYED SUSPICIONS, BUT TWICE AS MAD AT MY-SELF FOR NOT FORESEEING WHAT HAD HAPPENED TO D'HARA! I HAD HAPPENED TO D'HARA! I BLAMED MYSELF BECAUSE I HADN' PUT A TAIL ON HIM FOR HIS DWN PROTECTION AFTER THAT BEATING HE TOOK! BUT THERE'S NO USE HE TOOK! BUT THERE'S NO USE POUNDING YOUR BRAINS OUT ABOUT YESTERDAY'S MISTAKES! THE THING TO DO NOW WAS TO FIND D'HARA'S WILLER, AND I HAD NO CLUES TO WORK ON! I TRAMPED ABOUT THE CITY, TURNING OVER THEORIES IN DEMA LY I REVE BERED SOMETHING O'HARA HAD SAID IN MY OFFICE THE NIGHT HE SAID IN MY OFFICE THE NIGHT HE WAS BEATEN UP! HE SAID HE THOUGHT THERE WAS A PICTURE IN THE PAPER'S MORBUE OF ONE OF THE GUYS WHO MUGGED HIM! HE HADN'T MENTIONED THIS AGAIN, I WAS SURE HE HAD CHECKED ON IT SO I BEAT IT BACK TO THE SUN-TIMES AND STARTED COMB ING THE PICTURE FILES ...



A \$10,000 REWARD CAN YOU'VE GOT SOME-EVERY LEAD IS WORTH MAKE SOME TENANT! WHEN O'HARA LOOKING WAS ALIVE, GARDNER INTO! YOU'D INDUSTRIOUS REFUSED TO HELP HIM BETTER THE PAYROLL! HAVE YOUR MEN CHECK THE GUYS ON THIS THIS LIST, ASHFORD!

ASHFORD DIDN'T KNOW WHAT I WAS UP TO, BUT HE COULDN'T VERY WELL REFUSE MY REQUEST! TWO HOURS LATER, HE SENT FOR ME, AND WHEN I REACHED HIS OFFICE ...

WELL, WHAT ARE YOU WAIT-ALL THE MEN ON THAT LIST ING FOR , LIEUTENANT & HAVE YOU GAVE ME HAD RECORDS GAVE ME HAD KELONDS,
GARDNER! ALL BUT ONE ARE
EITHER DEAD OR IN JAIL!
THERE'S THE RECORD OF THE
ONLY ONE THAT'S FREE AT THE
MOMENT—GUY NAMED CHARLES
"PUDGE" WHITE! BE THE MAN WHO MUGGED O'HARA THE OTHER NIGHT!





T'LL GRUDGINGLY ADMIT THAT ASHFORD KNEW HOW TO BREAK A MAN DOWN WITHOUT LAYING A FINGER ON HIM! PUDGE CRACKED A FEW HOURS LATER AND NAMED TEX BYERS AND NICK RUDO AS THE TWO MUGS WHO HELPED HIM WITH THE O'HARA MAULING! HE FINALLY ADMITTED THAT BERT SLOCUM HAD PAID THEM TO DO THE JOB BUT SAID THEY WEREN'T REGULARLY ON SLOCUMS PAY-ROLL! ASHFORD COULDN'T GET PUDGE TO GO FOR THE JACKPOT QUESTION, THOUGH! HE DENIED ANY KNOWLEGE OF O'HARAS MURDER AND THEN CLAMMED UP COM-PLETELY! ASHFORD SENT SOME MEN OUT TO PICK UP TEX AND NICK! HE ORDERED THIS DONE QUIETLY BECAUSE, AFTER HE MAD ALL THREE HOODS IN THE COOLER. IE INTENDED HAVING SLOCUM PICKED UP AND THEN CONFRONTING HIM WITH THE HOODS! ASHFORD FELT PRETTY SURE THAT SLOCUM KNEW WHO MURDERED CHARA! IT LOOKED THAT WAY TO ME, OMARA! IT LOOKED THAT WAY TO ME, TOO, SO, AFTER 10 CALLED WENDY TO INQUIRE ABOUT KATHY, I. WENT OVER TO THE ALHAMBRA CLUB AND CAWED OUT THERE JUST TO MAKE SURE SLOCUM DION'T GET WAY. AND FLY THE CODE...







WE REACHED HIS OFFICE!THERE
ERIT SLOCUM SOT THE SUPPRISE
OF HIS LIFE WHEN HE WAS
CONFRONTED WITH THE THREE
HOODS:
WE HAD TO PIPE
PALS OF WASTERS OF WASTERS OF WASTERS
OURS, OTHERS
OURS, OTHERS
WE DON'T HAVE
COMIN'S





SO THE KILLER WAS STILL
AT LARGE! ROONEY'S NEWS
WAS A BOMBSHELL, ALL RICHT!
IT LEFT US FRESH OUT OF
SUSPECTS AND WITHOUT A
SINCLE CLEE TO WORK ONE
SINCLE CLEE TO WORK ONE
ME FOR THE WHOLE FIASCO!
HE'D BEEN CATCHING MICE
WHILE A MONSTER STALKED
THE WAS US FOR A BROADSICE
FIRST CHANCE I, GOT, I DUSTED
OUT OF HEADQUARTIES AND
TOOK A CAB TO MY OFFICE! I
HAD A GOOD CASE OF THE
BLUES. SO I WAS MIGHTY
GLAD TO HEAD SOOD CASE
GLAD TO FIND WENDY THERE,
CALM AND CHERFILL AS
USUALER.

CHIP, I WAG
HELPING KATHY
CLEAN UP THE
APACTRICET AS
I PAPER IN ONE OF MIKE WAS COING
HE WAS COING
HE WAS COING
HE WAS KILLED!
COATS! I THOURAN'S
TO SEE IT!

ME AN IDEA!

ME AN IDEA!

T DID SOME FAST FIGURES AND STARTED TO LOSE BY FLAVING MY BOTHANG THE PROMISE OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PROMISE O

I-I WAS

MY GUN! A

JUST CLEANING



FINALLY THE TRAIL LED TO A ROOM-INCHOUSE IN THE WEST SO'S! WHEN ALBERT FOX CPENED HIS DOOR, I PUGHED MY WAY INTO THE ROOM, WHICH WAS A DISMAL DUMP OF A PLACE...

WHAT DO
YEAH, AT THE ALHAMBRA
YOU WANTY
HAMENT I
GERN YOU
SOMEPLACE
BEFORE?

WHAT TO
CLUB, ME, FOX! IN, CHIP
CARRONER, AND I WANT TO
TAILK TO YOU! I THING
MAPTE WY SEARCH IS
OVER!

GAMBLER IS PORCED TO CARRY REPORCED TO CARRY A GLIN THESE DAYS TO PROTECT HIMSELF! WITH TAKING YOU IN!

SAVE IT FOR

THE JURY, FOX!

I KNOW

TESTS WILL PROBABLY PROVE THIS IS THE MURDER WEAPON! FOR SHEER NERWE, FOX, YOUR SYSTEM WAS ONE FOR THE BOOKS! YOU KEPT LOSING THREE TIMES AS MUCH AT THE ALHAMBRA AS YOU EVER WON! YOU GOT YOUR GAWBLING MONEY BY MUCH YOUR TO KILL OF A WAR BECAUSE HE WAS GOING TO REVEAL YOUR TOTAL LOSSES.



















MIKE O'HARA'S CRUSADE LIVED AFTER HIM! THE CITY'S ENTIRE FOURTH ESTATE GOT BEHIND IT AND WOULDN'T LET GO UNTIL THE GAMBLING JOINTS WERE CLOSED! THIS WAS O'HARA'S MONUMENT, OF WHICH KATHY WAS RIGHTFULLY PROUD! AS FOR KATHY, SHE FINISHED HER EDUCATION WITH THE REWARD MONEY AND IS NOW A CLIB REPORTER ON THE SUN-TIMES! ME STILL DOING BUSINESS AT THE SAME STAND, AND ONCE IN A WHILE I COME ACROSS THE WOTA-TION I MADE AT THE END OF MY FILE ON THE "LOSING WINNERS" CASE! IT READS:

CASE! IT READS:

*NET LOSS, ONE

CLOSE

FRIEND**

A REGULAR

GUY! **

William End.

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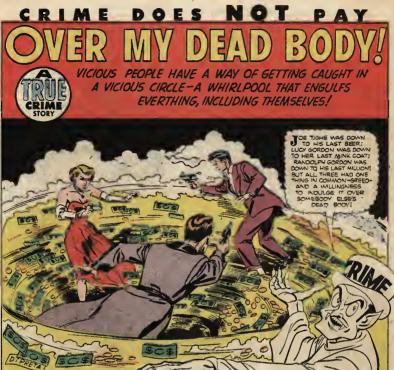
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YOU WOULDN'T THINK IT TO LOOK AT YOU! MINK COAT, PEARLS,

DIAMONO RING - WHY, YOUR







FIFTEEN CENTS HAMAM - GOT IT HERE
SOME WHERE! LET'S
SEE NOW - EIVE, TEN HERTEEN - THERE - EIVETEEN
CENTS! I ALWAYS LIKE
TO GET RID OF MY
SMALL CHANGE!

SURE! I UNDERSTAND! YOU GOT A BIG ROLL OF HUN-DRED DOLLAR BILLS AND YOU HATE BREAKIN'EM!

PAY DOES WHY WORRY

MIGTER YOU COULD HAVE THAT ROLL OF HUNDRED-DOLLAR BILLS-A ROLL BIG ENOUGH TO BUY A BREWERY...

COST ME MORE THAN MONEY JUDGING FROM WHAT'S ON YOUR MINC, SISTER ! GOT A NEWSPAPER



ABOUT THE

RIGHT! SO I FIGURE A SMART WORLD DOESN'T | BLONDE AIN'T OFFERING ME A BUNGLE OF ON ACCOUNT OF COUNT OUT YOUR PENNIES! MY HEART BREAKS FOR A MAN WHO HAGN'T THE PRICE OF A FEW

YEAH, YOU'RE ALL BUSTED UP! YOU KNOW WHAT IT IS TO STARVE-WITH ALL THAT ICE ON YOU! AND THOSE RAGS ON







THAT MAN SLEEPING IT OFF HE PROBABLY HAS NO PLACE TO GO, MAYBE NOT EVEN THE PRICE OF A FLOPHOUSE IN HIS POCKET! THAT'S WHAT HAPPENS TO PEOPLE WHO WON'T RUN RISKS! THEY STAY DOWN AND OUT!



IF IT'S

SO EASY,

WHY DON'T

MURDER- IF THE PRICE IS RIGHT! YOU FIGURE IT OUT, SISTER! YOU SEEM TO KNOW ALL THE ANSWERS!

COME ON, BREAK DOWN, MISTER! DON'T TELL ME YOU'RE INCAPABLE OF

I DO! YOU'VE USED I WOULDN'T CUT ONCE! MAX MOSBY EVEN FOR THREE GRAND-THOUGH TOLO ME ALLI ABOUT MIGHT FOR HIM ONCE - AND HE WAS SATISFIED! CONSIDER YOURS! YOU YOU'RE SMART-ALMOST TOO SMART! YOU'RE TALK TOO MUCH! ALSO BROKE! YOU'LL DO A LOT FOR A BUCK-PRACTICALLY ANYTHING FOR THREE THOUSAND!

IT'S SOMEBODY FLEE'S THROAT IM INTERESTED YOU DO IT IN -A VERY YOURGELF ? EASY BUMP-OFF! YOU'LL NEVER EASIER DOLLAR



WHAT'S THE THE GUY WHO WON'T PAY THE BILLS ANY MORE! YOU KNO HOW TOUGH IT IS TO GET ALONG? YOU KNOW WELL FOR ME IT'S IMPOSSIBLE ..



I'M STILL

ASKING,

WHO IS



ALONG WITH! BUT THAT'S NO REASON TO LET GO OF A GOOD THING, IS IT?

MAN! BUT IT SEEMS WHEN RANDOLPH THINKS OF WAYS TO SPEND HIS MONEY, I'M NOT INCLUDED! YOU SEE, RANDOLPH IS FED UP WITH ME AND MY EXTRAVAGANCES! HE WANTS TO CALL IT QUITS!



WELL, WHY SHOULD I LET MYSELF BE DIVORCED AND COLLECT A PALTRY SETTLEMENT WHEN RANDOLPH'S DEATH AUTOMATICALLY

GIVES ME HALF HIS FORTUNE, ACCORDING TO STATE LAW? BESIDES IF RANDOLPH WERE SHOT DURING -SAY...UH ... A HOLDUP-I'D ALSO COLLECT DOUBLE INDEMNITY! IT'S A MARK WORTH SHOOTING FOR!











VERY!









KNOW YOU'RE

AND THEN SHE WENT WILD! SHE NEVER HAD ENOUGH! SHE SPENT MONEY LIKE WATER! BY WATER! BY WATER! BY WATER! BY WATER! BY WATER! BY WATER HAD ME! AND ALL! EVER GOT WERE THE BILLS! AND NOW THIS! I NEVER THOUGHT I COULD HATE AN'80DY SD BITTERLY!



THEN THERE'S ANOTHER ANGLE, MR. GORDON! IF YOU LET THINGS TAKE THEIR COURSE, EITHER SHE'LL WIND UP A RICH WIDOW, OR YOU'LL HAVE TO BUY HER OFR WITH THE U.S. MINT! YOU'RE A BUSINESS MAN! LEAVING THINGS ALONE AIN'T ECDNOMICAL!



THERE'S ONLY ONE MAY OUT FOR YOU I TURN THE TABLES! RUB HER OUT WITHOUT DANGER TO YOURSELF! WHAT'S IT COST. TWENTY GRAND! AND WHO'S TO KNOW YOU GREERED IT STICK-UP! A DAME WHO OK LIKE A STICK-UP! A DAME WHO WALKS AROUND WITH FIVE GRAND OF ICE ON HER



YOUR WIFE WON'T TAKE MY WORD THAT I'VE BUMPED YOU OFF! SHE'LL PROBABLY FIND A WAY TO SNEAK AWAY FROM HER PARTY AND WATCH MY PERFORMINE! SO I GUESS THE MOTIONS OF SHOTING YOU! WITH MALE OF SHOTING YOU!



NOW THIS WASN'T THE SORT OF CONVERSATION THAT COULD STAND EAVES DROPING! THE STAND LEAVES DROPING! THE STAND LAW. IN IN THE STAND THE ST









...WAIT A MINUTE! I COULD CHANGE THOSE CARTRIDGES IN RANDOLPH'S GUN FROM



























BUT THE ONLY THINGS
"FRAMED" WERE THE
"FRAMED" WERE THE
"FRAMED" WERE THE
"AFTER THEY WERE USED
AS EVIDENCE!

CKAY! THAT'S ME! I ADMIT IT! BUT I NEVER KILLED HIM! I - I 'USED BLANKS! IT WAS PART OF A SCHEME, SEE ? A GAG! WHY GORDON LOADED HIS OWN GIN! WOULD HE BUT REAL BUILLETS IN IT AN'

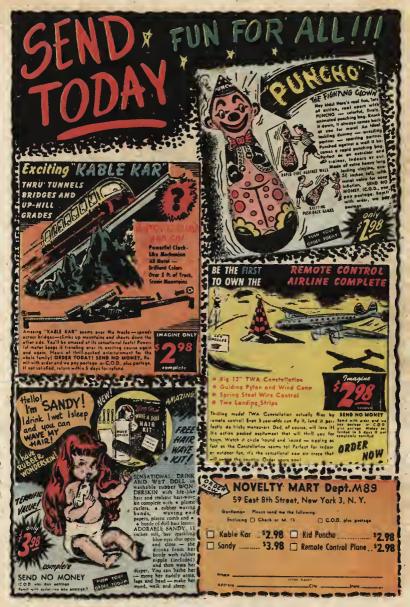
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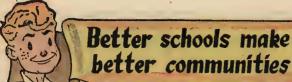
WELL, THERE IT WAS BUT EVEN FIVE MONTHG LATER—ON THE VERY NIGHT OF HIS EXECUTION—JOE COLLIDAT FIGURE TO CUT! HE ADMITTED SHOOTING BOTH MR, AND MRS. GORDON, BUT HOW REAL BULLETS HAD FOUND THEIR WAY INTO THE CHAMBER OF GORDONS GUN

WHATLA IT PLET ANGNON,
BE, TICHE TAMENON,
PLET MIGNON,
PROPTICES IT MASS
TONIGHT FAMORON THAT
BROUGHT ME HERE

BUT IT REALY WASNIT A TAGTE FOR FILET MIGNON THAT LED JOE TIGHE TO HIS LAST MEAL! IT WAS A TAGTE FOR MUNDER, BEED BY THE SAME MWCRALINY SO STORMING THE SAME MWCRALINY SO STORMING THE SAME WASNIT SO TO DOUBLE - CTOSIGNING THE MEELL'ES IRONIC! OF COURSE! BUT WITH JUST THE RIGHT TOUCH OF JOETIC JUSTICE!











WELL SON, HOW DID THINGS GO IN SCHOOL

TOO BAD I CAN'T TEACHER I COULD LIKE SCHOOL IF THEY'D ONLY GIVE



WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO DAD? ALL THE CHILDREN SAY THE SCHOOL CROWDED. THEY GO ONLY HALF

IF ALL OUR NEIGHBORS WORK TOGETHER, WE CAN GET MORE AND BETTER SCHOOLS. CHILDREN NEED GOOD SCHOOLS. EVERY COMMUNITY NEEDS PEOPLE WHO HAVE LEARNED HOW TO WORK AND BE HAPPY BY GOING TO

SCHOOL .

NO MATTER WHAT YOUR CHILDREN GROW UP TO BE . YOU NEED A GOOD SCHOOL.



WHEN YOU GROW UP AND YOTE, YOU WILL NEED AN EDUCATION.

TELL YOUR MOTHER AND

FATHER THEY CAN LEARN HOW OTHERS WON BETTER SCHOOLS BY WRITING TO-ATIONAL CITIZENS COMMISSION FOR THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS 2 WEST 451 STREET NEW YORK IS NEW YORK"











HERE IS THE





GOING ...

VIE SHALL NOW DECLARE A TEN AT THE RECESS TO CHECK OUR LISTS AND GIVE PATRONS A CHANCE TO CLAIM THEIR PURCHASES!

RIME

A FINE SHILL YOU ARE! LIKE THE LAMP AND THE PICTURE, THEN YOU WERE HAVE GIVEN THE

I WAS AFRAID RYDELL WOULD LET THAT GO, TOO! I WANTED THE BIDDING YOU'D BETTER

ASLEEP WHEN YOU SHOULD STALL FOR THE NEXT HOUR. GRISWOLD, UNTIL SOME HOT CUSTOMERS SHOW UP! IF I

ONE HOUR LATER ... THERE'S THOMAS DOLLARS FOR THIS WENTZ, THE DEALER WHO SELLS TO ROYAL CLIENTS! AND THE MAN FOLLOWING HIM IS CLYDE FISHER, WHO SPECIALIZES IN COLLECTING ORIENTAL ART! I'LL GET WORD TO GRISWOLD RIGHT AWAY!

FINE TABLE WITH ONLY ONE LOOSE LEG THAT CAN BE I'LL HAVE TO HAVE A





LISTEN, JOEY! GET SOME-THING GOOD UP THERE FAST- SOME -

> TO PUSH IT!

WHAT I JUST FOUND IN THE STORE THING ORIENTAL ROOM? LIKE THAT ANOTHER STATUE JUST MANDARIN STATUE - AND LIKE THE ONE WHISPER TO YOU'RE TALKING GRISWOLD ABOUT! BRING HAT I SAID THAT HUH?

> STORE MOOR

OKAY! DO

YOU KNOW

WE HAVE. IT'S ANOTHER SAY, WHAT'S ONE! THERE THIS ? OH, WERE TWO-A SET- EXACTLY I GET IT! HERE WE HAVE -SAYS BRING IT UP SO HE CAN GIVE IT THE WORKS

AND NEXT

SHHH, BOSS!











SAND DOLLARS TWO TWO THOUSAND, THOU-I'M SURE SAND RYDELL STATUE IS WORTH S MORE

RYDELL AND BEAT HOUR AGO BOY! IS THAT NEWS! FOR THIRTY-THAT TALKS! FIVE SO LONG, MAYBE I'LL BUCKS! WENTZ! I'M OVER-BID ON MY WAY! HIM!

WHO GOT IT! BELBER

GRISWOLD AND FISHER

ALL KNOW HOW BADLY



THAT NIGHT... IT'S VERY OBVIOUS, PEG! THAT'S JUST WHAT I'M AFRAID OF, UNCLE JIM! IT WOULD MEAN A FORTUNE TO ANYONE SINCE THE STATUES FORM A PAIR, THEY ARE WORTH FAR MORE TOGETHER THAN SINGLY! UNQUESTIONABLY, WENTZ HAS A ROYAL CLIENT WHO HAS BEEN LOOKING FOR BOTH! THEREFORE, WENTZ WILL WENTZ WANTS IT! GO THE LIMIT TO GET THIS STATUE!

TRY TO STEAL IT

NONSENGE! I COLLECT ANTIQUE GUNG AS WELL AS OTHER CURDS! THIS BLUNDERBUSE IS LOADED AND I WON'T HESTITATE TO USE IT ON ANY THEVES!













DOES

AND SO THE KILLER MADE A GETAWAY! YES, KILLER, FOR WHEN INSPECTOR BROOK WAS SUMMONED TO RYDELL'S APARTMENT HOUSE, THE GLADWYN ARMS, HE FOUND OLD JAMES RYDELL DEAD!



SO THIS IS THE WAY THE MAYBE YOU'RE HEAVY SIDE BOARD IS RATHER WEAK ISN'T IT

THAT'S RIGHT! AND THIS IS THE CARTON HE PITCHED THAT THE THE CARTON KILLER PACKED OUT OF THE THE STATUE IN BEFORE DROVE AWAY! HE RACED PLANKINGS

WE'VE ROUNDED UP THE FOUR YOU WANT, INSPECTOR-BELBER, GRISWOLD FISHER, AND WENTZ! BUT

DIDN'T! BRING THEM ALL DOWN TO WHEN WE WERE FISHER'S LOOKING IN AT FISHERS, WE FOUND THE AND WE'LL CONTINUE THE

AND MAYBE

SOMEBODY

DID-OR

MANDARIN

INVESTIGATION STATUE THERE! THERE! OF COURSE HE CLAIMS SOME-BODY PLANTED

I'VE GOT A WEAK HEART, INSPECTOR! I COULDN'T HAVE LUGGED THIS STATUE ALL THE WAY UP HERE!

WHY, IT MUST WEIGH DON'T ACCUSE A GOOD FIFTY

ME! I DIDN'T EVEN KNOW POUNDS! WHERE FISHER

PAID FOR ONE MANDARIN STATUE AND TOOK IT HOME TODAY! SHOULD I

ALL OF YOU! THE STATUE WHY IJSELF HAS TOLD RESORT TO ME WHO THE GUILTY ORDER TO MAN MUST

ENOUGH,

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ART DEALER

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AND WEIGHT SOLVED A MAJOR CRIME AND SENT A MURDERER, THOMAS WENTZ, TO THE ELECTRIC CHAIR! THUS THE SIMPLE FACTORS OF SIZE



COME BACK HERE AND PICK UP THAT RYDELL WAS GEAD, YOU PLANTED YOUR OWN STATUE ON FISHER, TO BUYER TO BUYER TO SUSPICION! YOU PLANDED TO COME BACK HERE AND PICK UP



ILE YOU, WENTZ! THIS ISN'T RYDELL'S



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CHIEF WILLIAM T. CACACE
"Fingerprints First!".

WO homes were broken into tonight!

The take was over \$10,000 in cash and jewels! No trace of the guys!" the Chief said to his lieutenant.

These words set into action a long-thought out plan of one of the youngest and most astute police thiefs in the United States—Chief of Police William T. Cacace, of Alpine, New Jersey.

At thirty-four, in 1936, Cacace graduated as a fingerprint expert from the Federal Bureau of Investigation Police Academy. Fingerprinting, although an accepted method of detection, had not yet been given all the credit it was due, nor was it as widespread in practice as it should have been.

What Cacace knew when he was informed of the \$10,000 robbery in Alpine was that for the past six months New York City had been the scene of a series of similar burglarieswell-planned, well-ordered-involving over 400 homes. Cacace had followed the big-city crime wave with detachment until the morning of the Alpine robberies. Then, matching details and a certain pattern which he detected, Cacace was convinced that the New York housebreakers had transferred their operations to New Jersey. Fingerprints, he believed, would be the only foolproof way to put these thorough-going criminals in jail, where they belonged. And a few hours after investigating the two burgled houses in Alpine the chief had a perfect batch of fingerprints to work with.

"You know, Norm," Cacace remarked to his lieutenant, "if I can crack this case on fingerprint evidence, we might establish the method in every small town in the nation. But these fellows are smart! They slipped only once-leaving prints where they thought no one would dream of looking for them-but if we keep driving away at this thing, that slip will be their last!"

Cacace's first move, of course, was to contact the FBI and the New York City police, asking them to check their fingerprint files. And then the going got tough! Neither organization came up with matching prints! Cacace then sent a notice to every New Jersey police department, alerting them and requesting that they let him, or one of his pupils, investigate any burgled home for latent prints.

The New Jersey burglaries continued. Each time the criminals escaped, leaving no evidence, Cacace had their prints-hut this was only a beginning; he had a long way to go from there! His first hreak finally came when two homes in Northern New Jersey were entered. Again the criminals escaped, but from one of these robberies the Chief got footprints as well as fingerprints, and from the latter he was able to determine the approximate beight and weight of the culprits.

A few weeks later, Chief Charles E. Smith, of Mahwah, New Jersey, a pupil of Cacace's, picked up two men on suspicion. Their prints were taken and sent to Cacace. They matched! But Cacace restrained the impulse to hold the suspects, remarking to Chief Smith, "Why go to trial on one charge when they may be implicated in a hundred? And what about the loot? It can't all be gone. Let's just watch them for a while; we can pick them up any time."

It wasn't long before Cacace's plan began to show results. After three weeks of "tailing" Cacace decided to investigate a store which had been frequented by the suspects and was run by a man suspected of being a fence.

An inspection of the premises revealed to Carace and his two assistants a small well in the vard behind the store.

"Norm, this doesn't stack up," Cacace said, looking down into the pit of filthy water. "The pump works perfectly, but the water's stagnant. We'd better see what's down there!"

At the hottom of the well there were two securely tied packages. They were hrought up and found to contain valuables listed among the

stolen articles.

Excited, Cacace exclaimed, "Norm! If we can possibly get fingerprints on this stuff, we may go places! It's been soaked for about five days-but here's the chance to prove our point once and for all! Let's go!"

Back at the laboratory, after twelve bours of painstaking, ceaseless work-dusting, taking pictures, developing negatives and prints, Cacace finally succeeded in what bad appeared to be an almost impossible task.

"Look at this, Norm," he shouted, "Almost all of the stuff had their prints on it! Okay, call Chief Smith and have those guys picked up!"

The two criminals, Eddie Blanchard and Tony Thomas, were arrogant when Cacace questioned them. They denied ever baving seen the loot before.

"Oh, sure, you're smart," said Cacace, "but modern criminal investigation is one step ahead of you! We paid a little visit to one of your fences -and found this stuff! Your prints are on practically every article here! So save your breath, boys, and tell it to the judge!"

Blanchard, a shifty-eyed, mean-looking character, said out of the corner of his mouth, "What do you mean prints? That stuff was in water for-" He stopped short, squirming in bis chair. "I mean . . . " he stammered . . . "that stuff was ... it looks like ..."

"We both know what it looks like, don't we, Blanchard?" Cacace replied, smiling. "But the prints told me even more than you aid, just now."

That about wound up the case which led to Chief Cacace and the Alpine Police Academy becoming responsible for statewide education of police in the technique of detection through fingerprinting. The Alpine Academy, working with the FBI and the Bergeo County Chiefs of Police Association, has become a major laboratory, and Cacace a major figure in cases that deal in any way with the exacting science of fingerprinting.

It was natural that, flushed with the success of one plan, Cacace would go on to another. Today, Chief Cacace is probing further into his "modus operandi" theory. The theory is that any criminal can eventually be tracked down by studying his "hebavior pattern." Cacace has found that even the cleverest criminal doesn't realize that he is performing his "perfect" crime in a definite pattero. Thanks to this police chief, we have advanced another step toward the annibilation of crime through scientific methods.

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A THING!



PAY DOES



I WOLLD WANT EVERYBODY! HIM TO BE! I WANT TO BECOME AN ARMY OFFICER LIKE HE WAS, EERIE NIGHT, THOUGH I'LL NEVER BE AS BRAVE! DAD WASN'T MEN ALWAYS AFRAID OF ANYTHING. WHILE I - I'M A LITTLE FEARED THE SCARED EVEN WHEN POWER OF THERE'S LIGHTNING!

THEN



HAVE

NATURE AT HER WORST IS TERRIFYING! SO IS MAN AT HIS WORST! THAT'S WHY YOUR FATHER DIED- TO STOP BRUTES LIKE HITLER AND MUSSOLINI! A WILD NIGHT! THAT'S WHAT I LIKE ABOUT REING A DETECTIVE - PROTECTING PEOPLE AGAINST EVIL, SEEN AND UNSEEN! BY THE WAY, ARE YOU GET TING ALONG ANY BETTER WITH YOUR STEPFATHER?





SEEMS TO BE ANKE GUY, THOUGH HE HAS SMLING, ESPECIALLY WHEN MY STEPDAD'S A SECRET JOKE BE-THINK MY STEPDAD LIKES HIM!



I DON'T KNOW-NEITHER

THERE'S A SMALL WHERE ROOM OFF THE DOES THE HANDY KITCHEN! OH, I GET MAN ALONG WITH HIM, SLEEP ! ALL RIGHT! AS A MATTER OF FACT, ACE BARLOW WAS THE MEANS OF MY WIN-NING MY SCHOOL LETTER

LOOK! A MAJOR LETTER FOR BASEBALL! I WAS A FIRST-STRING PITCHER AT THE ACADEMY THIS YEAR! WE HAD A TWENTY-GAME SCHEDULE AND I WON TWELVE OF 'EM-THREE BY SHUTOUTS!



SAY-THAT'S NO, I USUALLY THROW A STRAIGH TERRIFIC! THAT'S WONDERFUL PITCHING! WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE PITCH? CURVE BLOOPER S



UNTIL ACE CAME

ACE TALIGHT ME CONTROL! AND DURING EASTER VACATION HE USED TO CATCH FOR ME FOR HOURS AT A TIME, AND COACH ME ON EVERY PITCH! YEARS AGO HE PLAYED PRO-FESSIONALLY IN THE MINOR LEAGUES HE ONCE BATTED .409!



CRIME DOES NOT PAY AN ACCIDENT! OFF-SEASON, A HUNTING RIFLE BLEW OFF A DOESN'T CHUNK OF HIS LEG! HE COLLIDAT OUR DAD QUARRELS OF MUCH WITH FOLKS ASSUE! HEAR MY DAD FOLKS ASSUE! HEAR MY DAD FOLKS ASSUE! HEAR MY DAD

AN ACCIDENT! OFF-SEAGON, A HUNTING RIFLE BLEW OFF A CHUNK OF HIS LEG! HE COLLONT RUN THE BASES ANY MORE! ACE GETS ALONG WITH ME AND MON, ALL RIGHT, BUT HE AND DAD ARE ALWAYS ARELING-OVER LITTLE THINGS TOO-AS IF THEY HAD







MY REAL DAD-











NOT PAY DOES CRIM HERE'S OUR ROAD!

















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CRIME DOES NOT PAY























WISHTING FOR A WEEK TO SURPRISE
WITH YOUR AUNT
MARGARET! ANTURALLY, MY MARKS
SHE DIONY BOSECT ONE
TO WEEK TO SURPRISE
TO THE SEALOR





NOI I WAS COING TO THE I SAW THIS BUT I SAW MAND STICKING OUT FROM UNDER THE IT, DAD! I SAW THIS BURLAP BAG! SAY DAD, MAYBE AGE SAW IT! I SAW IT!

AL TELL YOU WHAT I'LL DOUR ILL GO DOWN-STAIRS AND LOOK AROUND FOR THIS CORPSE! WAIT UP HERE! I'LL SEE WHETHER IT WAS YOUR IMAGINATION OR NOT!





















PAY







YOU FORGOT YOUR STEPFATHER'S GIFT IN THE BUS AND I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT BE UPSET IF YOU COULDN'T GIVE IT TO HIM TONIGHT, SO I DROVE BACK FROM

OF INJETANI- WALAT

HAPPENED!

STEPFATHER UNCON-THE ROCKS ACE PLANTED ALONG THE ROAD! MY CONTROL-THE CONTROL ACE TAUGHT ME - WAS PERFECT! IT HAD TO I DIDN'T KNOW

WE'VE GOT A FULL CONFESSION TED! YOUR STEPFATHER HAD A HAD A PRISON RECORD! SO HAD ACE! THEY WERE CELLMATES FOR YEARS! THAT GUN-SHOT THAT SPOILED ACE'S BASE-BUT MY STEP-BALL CAREER WAS A SHOT DOWN IN A

POLICE HEADQUARTERS

FATHER WHAT DID HE DO? HOLDUP!

HE KILLED A MAN- SERVED TEN YEARS FOR MANSLAUGHTER HE WAS A SWINDLER AND BOOTLEGGER BEFORE THAT! HAD A YOUR MOTHER CERTAINLY WAS DECRIVED ABOUT HIM! HE NOW ADMITS HE MARRIED HER ONLY FOR HER

MONEY!

FEELING HE DIDN'T LOVE HER! HE NEVER REATED HER DECENTLY!



ACE STUMBLED ACROSS YOUR STEPFATHER AND FIGURED BLACKMAILING HIM ABOUT HIS PAST WOULD GIVE ACE A PERNANENT MEAL INCETTINE THE MATERIAL WAS WHAT THEY MATERIAL BOACH OTHER WAS DIGGING A GRAWE A HUNDRED VARDS FROM THE HOUSE-BIG BOUGH FOR ACE AND HIS BELONGINGS TO DISAPPEAR INTO! BUT YOU CAME ALONG UNEXPECTEDLY! THE REST YOU KNOW

> TAKE THESE TIES, INSPECTOR! I WANTED TO THINK OF AS A FATHER! YOU'RE THE CLOSEST



THANKS, TED! I KNOW YOUR STEPFATHER WON'T NEED 'EM! WHERE HE'S GOING, A DIFFERENT KIND OF NECKTIE IS THE FASHION! YOUR MOTHER'S WAITING FOR YOU OUTSIDE, NOW! COMPORT HER!



SHORTLY AFTER, THE DOOR OPENS HOW CAN I WOULD YOU BE GOOD ENOUGH TO PUT A DIMPLE IN MY TIE? I'M BEGINNING

THANK YOU ENOUGH, JOHN? WHAT CAN I TO THINK I NEED DO TO REPAY WOMAN'S TOUCH! YOU?



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In 1933, Canada issued a 5centistamp to commemorate the 100th annivarsary of the first passage under steam by the steamship Royal William. This vassel was a paddle whaeler, whereas the engraver unwittingly shows the Royal William to be a screwpropeller type of ship.

A really ambarrassing mistaka or priza "boner", occurred on the Soviet Russian stamp of 1936, issued in commemoration of the 100th birthday of Nicolai Dobrolubov, a famous Russian revolutionary writer and critic. The portrait on the stamp shows Nicolai Dobrolubov, however, beneath his portrait appears the caption A. N. Dobrolubov, the name of a mystical religious poat who is datested by the Communists.

On the stemps of Gambie, the British colony in West Africa, there appeared in the 1922 issue a picture of an elephent with its hind legs forméd like those of a horse. Elephants have only two rear lag joints wheraas a horse has more than two. Stamp collactors called attention to this error and it was widaly published. However, in 1938 when the new series of stamps showing King Georga VI appeared, the same elephant with the faulty legs was reproduced.

The Australian commemorative set of 1937, issued on the 150th anniversary of the founding of New South Wales, depicts Governor Phillip landing at Sydney Cove in 1788 wearing epaulettes on his shoulder. According to the author of British Naval Customs and Traditions, epaulettes were not worn on uniform until 1795.

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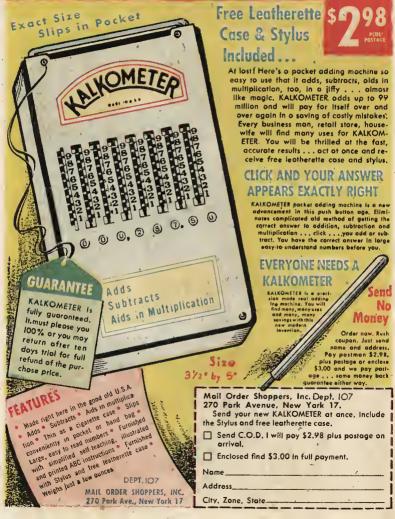
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